

**TOWN OF VERNON
VERNON ARTS COMMISSION
Minutes of February 4, 2013**

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Commissioners (C) & Associates (A) Present:

Donna Barnas (A)
Irma Carter (C)
Andrea Nardi (A)
Bobbie Orne (C)

Lisa Ouellette (C)
Ginny Rogala (C)
Bill Walach (C)

Guests:

John Kopec, Town Council
Ross Novgrad

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM at the Vernon Community Arts Center by Acting Chair Bill Walach.

Minutes: The minutes were corrected as follows: a) Pg. 1 - Old Business – 1st paragraph, “An attempt to cancel the second ad via Bobbie to Claudia was deemed too late by JI. An invoice has been received and paid.” b) Pg. 2, line 2 should read “Income = \$390” (not cost), and c) Pg. 2 – New Business – 3rd paragraph, should read “with his (name) will be...” A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report:

VAC Town Account	\$1,403.11
FVAC	\$1,403.11

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was seconded. Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Budget (2013-14)** was submitted to Diane Luddecke by Lisa on 12/28/2012 as requested. Amount submitted was \$11,600 with no increase in VAC request from last year's budget. Motion was made and seconded to acknowledge budget submission and approve it. Unanimously approved.
- **FVAC Membership Drive:** Discussion of whether to include a “corporate match” option on FVAC application form/letter. A consensus supported the idea. Irma stated it will appear in next year's membership letter.

- **Proposed VAC Program Destinations:**

MASSMoCa	Warner Theater	The Kate
Goodspeed Opera House	Hartford Stage	Theaterworks
Ivoryton Theater	Bushnell	Eugene O'Neill Theater

Shubert
NBMAA

Hill-Stead Museum
Worcester Art Museum

Infinity Hall

- **VAC Artist's Forum:** Next Forum will be held on Monday, April 29th at the VCAC. Each VAC member should come to the next meeting prepared to share ideas/suggestions re: Forum format and timing.
- **Recruitment – VAC Members**
Discussion of ways to recruit new members including advertising in local papers. Bobbie will contact Claudia re: publicizing information in papers about VAC's need for new Commissioners and Associate Commissioners.
- **Kevin Sharp Memorial:** The plaque for the memorial chair is complete. Irma will draft a letter to Kevin's wife Susan informing her of the memorial.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **New Venue for VAC:** Tonight's meeting is being held at the VCAC where VAC will be meeting on a regular schedule. VAC meeting schedule (2013-14) forwarded to Town Clerk's Office and VCAC director in December, 2012.
- **School Art Programs Update:** All schools have requested monies thus far except RHS. It was suggested that the information letter and school funding application go out to school contacts in September. Funding application deadline will be February 1st. VAC funding application form will be redesigned to reflect: a) School funding and b) other funding requests for VAC.

VAC Scholarships for Graduating RHS Students: In collaboration with RHS, forms changed to reflect the new "literary" category. The submitted student application forms must be evaluated by individual VAC members, tabulated and results submitted to RHS by May 1, 2013.

- **Lori Robeau has resigned.** Bobbie will send a note thanking her for all of her inspiration and her hard work on behalf of the VAC.
- **Roster of Rotating Chair Positions, Spring 2013**
March – Irma
April – Ginny
May – Judy
June – Bill

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 4, 2013 at the VCAC. Irma will be the Acting Chair.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bobbie Orne, Secretary

